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RUSHVILLE RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 29 YEARS FOR PRODUCING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CHARLES R. TUTROW, 49, Rushville, Indiana, was sentenced to 29 years imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Sarah Evans Barker following his guilty plea to producing child pornography. This case was the result of a several month investigation by the Indiana State Police, Rushville Police Department, and Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

TUTROW's Internet Service Provider discovered TUTROW was attempting to trade child pornography with other like-minded individuals. TUTROW's service was terminated and the case referred to the Indiana Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), headed by the Indiana State Police. A search warrant served in June, 2005 uncovered more than 200 pieces of computer storage media and 19 videotapes. One of the videotapes contained the images involving the two boys with whom TUTROW produced his illegal images. The two boys,

identified as John Doe 1 and John Doe 2, were eight and nine years old. TUTROW produced child pornography on separate occasions with the two boys between December 2003 and September 2004. The sentence was more severe because TUTROW had a 1992 prior conviction for photographing an eight-year old boy.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Barker also imposed a lifetime of supervised release following TUTROW's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, TUTROW must register as a sex offender.

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